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In re Patent Application of:
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Art Unit: 1746

For: WASHING MACHINE CONTROL METHOD

Examiner: Joseph L. Perrin

Mail Stop Amendment
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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Participants:

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Date of Interview:

April 03, 2007

Type of Interview:

Telephonic.

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated:

No.

Rejections discussed:

35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph rejection;

35 U.S.C. § 102(b) rejection of claim 1 as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,257,027 to Imai, and as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,609,264 to Ruhl *et al.*

Claims discussed:

Claims 1-2.

Prior Art discussed:

U.S. Patent No. 6,257,027 to Imai and U.S. Patent No. 6,609,264 to Ruhl *et al.*

Was an agreement reached?

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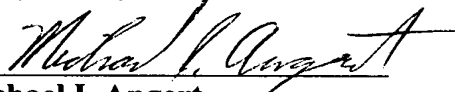
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